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Subject: RE: URGENT: FW: Request: One-page on Florida

Attachments: sn comments Briefing for Acting Administrator Wheeler on Florida.docx

Attached are my comments on the paper that Simma and Alexis have drafted.

David – in case your window for review is this evening, I'm forwarding on to you simultaneously. Let us know your comments and then we will forward to OW so it is finalized tomorrow.

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Steve – here's the one-pager we put together. I sent a one drive link but if you prefer you can use this attachment. Let us know what you think.

Thanks, Alexis

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I have my weekly with David at 2:30-3. Are you guys available and we can patch you in during that time to get direction from him? I really am not sure what's called for but here is some initial thoughts.

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Hi Steve,

I'm happy to coordinate with Alexis on a draft Florida paper this afternoon. I have time now. We have some hot issues templates we can use as a starting point.

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Does that sound right?

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Importance: High

I'm copying relevant OGC folks, including David Fotouhi - on the note below with important information regarding preparation of materials for two Administrator briefings apparently on (or soon to be on) the calendar for Friday—one is on 401 and DHC; the second on Florida assumption (preview — John asked if <u>OGC</u> could take the lead on the Florida paper — see more below — see Simma and alexis — immediate to do's here).

I just spoke with John Goodin and here is the state of play and some immediate requests for OGC.

- 1. Regarding the 401 and DHC briefings, OWOW is preparing a one pager on the former and OWM on the latter, which they will be sending to us today for review. OWOW/OWM please let us know when our review opportunity will take place so we can plan. My sense is these will be very high level.
  - <u>John/OWOW</u> the 401 paper should go to David Fotouhi, me, Lee Schroer and Jim Curtin. Jim I
    assume you will be point person for OGC's review perhaps you put on one drive but this will be a quick
    review.
  - Andrew/OWM the DHC paper should go to David Fotouhi, me, Lauren Maher, Carrie Wehling, Krista Hughes and Karyn Wendelowski. Lauren assume you will lead for us.
- 2. On Florida assumption, John said apparently the plan was for Matt and David to lead this briefing for the Administrator (Dave will not be there perhaps) and John asked that OGC write it up. My impression is that this one pager as well should be general/factual. Simma and Alexis can you take the lead on that for us? I'm available until 230 if we need to talk. You can coordinate at the staff level but nothing should go to OW front office until david is ok with it. And for the moment, please keep this within HQ. **David** please provide any guidance you can about how this paper should be framed.

Thanks all

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Folks-- As just discussed with Mindy and Mike...(though note the addition of the second circuit TP for the 401 paper) I left a voicemail with Neugeboren on coordination on the second one in particular.

Drafts to me by 5:00p.

Andrew—let's do separate one pagers for the first one. Thanks!

John

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Importance: High

Andrew, John,

There are two Administrator- level briefings scheduled for this Friday. Dave has requested one-pagers for these meetings. The materials are due to us by tomorrow (11/1) at 10am, so that Anna can review and transmit to the Administrator's office. Given the timing, I'm cc'ing your special assistants and Brian Frazer.

1. Briefing: Section 401 Certification and Direct Hydrologic Connection (3:00-3:45PM, Friday, 11/2)

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- 2. Briefing: Section 404 Florida Assumption (4:00-430PM, Friday, 11/2)
  - Touch base with OGC for this status update briefing. David Fotouhi will attend.

Let me know if you have questions. You may also ask Ann Campbell while I'm away from the office this afternoon.

Thank you, Janita

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